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NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE EXAMINER TO THE BOARD OF PATENT
APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES

In re Application of MS Lin
Serial No. 09/251,183
For: **Top Layers of Metal for High Performance ICs**
Filing Date: 2/17/99
Group Art Unit 2823,
EXAMINER J. Garcia

To: Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
From: George O. Saile, Reg. No. 19,572
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Sir:

Applicants hereby Appeal to the Board of Patent and Interference Appeals from the decision dated May 18, 2001 of the Examiner's final rejection of Claims 1-3, 11-13, 15-28, 49, 50, 56-60, 62=68 and 70-83.

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Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "S B Ackerman".

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